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*The break-up of price components of petrol and diesel at Delhi*

Share of duties and taxes in Retail Selling Price of Petrol

| SI. No. | Particulars | Rs./Litre |
|---|---|---|
| 1. | Price without Customs Duty, Excise duty and Sales tax components | 21.18 |
| 2. | Custom Duty (Based on 1st Fortnight of April' 08) | 1.97 (4%) |
| 3. | Excise Duty (levied @ Rs. 14.35/litre plus 3% education cess) | 14.78 (32%) |
| 4. | Sales Tax | 7.59 (17%) |
| 5. | Total of Customs Duty, Excise Duty and Sales tax components (2+3+4) | 24.34 (53%) |
| 6. | Retail Selling Price at Delhi (1+5) | 45.52 |

Share of duties and taxes in Retail Selling Price of Diesel

| SI. N | Particulars | Rs./Litre |
|---|---|---|
| 1. | Price without Customs Duty, Excise duty and Sales tax components | 20.88 |
| 2. | Custom Duty (Based on 1st Fortnight of April' 08) | 2.36 (7%) |
| 3. | Excise Duty (levied Rs. 4.60/litre plus 3% education cess) | 4.74 C |
| 4. | Sales Tax (incl. Pollution Cess of Rs. 0.25 per litre) | 3.78 (12%) |
| 5. | Total of Customs Duty, Excise Duty and Sales tax components (2+3+4) | 10.88 (34%) |
| 6. | Retail Selling Price at Delhi (1+5) | 31.76 |

Note: Figures in bracket give the components of customs duty, excise duty and sales tax as a per cent of SI. No. 6

**Decline production**

2448. SHR1 A. VIJAYARAGHAVAN: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether production of oil and gas by ONGC had declined after April, 2007;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor, and the steps taken to rectify the same;

(c) the steps taken to identify major fields for revival alongwith the fields that had been identified under the recovery schemes; and

(d) the steps taken to rectify the shortage of oil and gas in the country, as on today?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRIDINSHA J. PATEL): (a) and (b) The details of Oil and Natural Gas Corporation Ltd. (ONGC)'s crude oil and natural gas production during the year 2006-07 and 2007-08 are given below:

| Year | Oil (Million Metric Tonnes) | Gas (Million Metric Standard Cubic-Metres) |
|---|---|---|
| 2006-07 | 26.0:51 | 22442 |
| 2007-08 (Provsional) | 25.919 | 22335 |

Above figures excludes production from, fields being operated through Joint Ventures.

The short fall in oil production during the year 2007-08 (Apr. 07 to Jan. 08) is mainly due to:

1. Non availability of Single Buoy Mooring (SBM) at N A Platform from July, 2007 to Feb., 2008.
2. Poor availability of offshore rigs resulting in less than envisaged side track well in Mumbai Offshore.
3. Less than envisaged gain from Improved Oil Recovery (lOR)'Enhanced Oil Recovery (EOR) schemes in Mehsana & Assam Assets.
4. Decline in base production mainly in Assam Asset.

ONGC has taken various actions for augmenting/maintaining the crude oil production. In addition to focus on repair of existing wells, artificial lift and stimulation of wells, various efforts are being made/planned for enhancing oil production in the fields operated by ONGC in the Offshore and Onshore areas of the country.

(c) ONGC has already identified 15 major fields and has initiated lOR'EOR schemes in these fields.

(d) Several steps have been taken/are in hand to accelerate hydrocarbon exploration and production activities to meet our maximum requirement from indigenous sources, which include die following:

(i) Carving out more and more areas for exploration for offer under various rounds of New Exploration Licensing Policy (NELP)

(ii) Quicker development of discovered reserves for enabling commencement of production.

(iii) Use of stimulation techniques for increasing production from existing fields.

(iv) Application for Enhanced Oii Recovery (EORVImproved Oil Recovery (IOR) techniques for increasing recovery factor from existing fields.

(v) Arresting decline from ageing fields.

(vi) Acquisition of exploration acreages and producing properties overseas to bring in equity oil.

(vii) Substitution of through use of non-conventional source of energy such as bio-diesel, ethanol, etc.

(viii) Extraction of gas from gas hydrates under National Gas Hydrates Programme (NGHP) by evolving suitable production technology.

**Requirement of LPG**

†2449. SHR1 JAI PARKASH AGGARWAL: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the assessment with regard to monthly requirement of LPG in various States particularly in Delhi at present;

(b) the status of their supply; and

(c) the details of steps taken by Government to meet the requirement of LPG in various parts of the country particularly in Delhi?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHR1 DINSHA J. PATEL): (a) to (c) Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) have reported that at present, there is no overall shortage of LPG in the country, including Delhi and LPG supplies to distributors are being made by the OMCs through indigenous production and imports in accordance with the genuine demand of customers registered with the LPG distributors. OMCs have further reported that they have supplied 9394 and 538 TMTs (Thousand Metric Tonnes) of domestic LPG in the country and in Delhi respectively during the period April, 2007 - February, 2008 as against 8861 and 514 TMTs respectively during the corresponding period of 2006-07.

However, OMCs had reported backlog in LPG supplies in certain States in the country, including the State in Delhi due to a combination of factors *viz.,* reduction in supply of bulk LPG by Reliance Industries Limited (RIL) & Essar Oil Limited in January-February, 2008, delay in movement of bulk LPG by rail from Jamnagar to the Northern Region, increased demand in the States due to severe cold which resulted in panic booking by the customers, strikes by contract labour, agitational activities, delays in berthing of vessels at Haldia Port due to reduced draft, bandhs etc.

Government had advised OMCs to liquidate the backlog in the country by operating the bottling plants on holidays and during extended hours. Increased bottling is also done during the working days for early clearance of backlog.

OMCs have not reported any backlog in supply of LPG in the country including Delhi. OMCs are monitoring the situation on a day-to-day basis and corrective action is being taken wherever required.

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